

and time to make long-term investments that put our country on a path to being less dependent on oil. Those are the right investments that we ought to be making. Yes, they are hard. Yes, they are difficult. Yes, they are challenging. It is not easy to come up with compromises on them when we are all from very different parts of the Nation. But let's not just sell a bill of goods to the Nation when we are hurting.

I yield the floor. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. TESTER). The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. BIDEN. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### CONCLUSION OF MORNING BUSINESS

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Does the Senator yield morning business time?

Mr. BIDEN. Yes, we yield back the time in morning business.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Morning business is closed.

#### TOM LANTOS AND HENRY J. HYDE UNITED STATES GLOBAL LEADERSHIP AGAINST HIV/AIDS, TUBERCULOSIS, AND MALARIA RE-AUTHORIZATION ACT OF 2008

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Under the previous order, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 2731, which the clerk will report.

The legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 2731) to authorize appropriations for fiscal years 2009 through 2013 to provide assistance to foreign countries to combat HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria, and for other purposes.

Pending:

DeMint amendment No. 5077, to reduce to \$35,000,000,000 the amount authorized to be appropriated to combat HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, and malaria in developing countries during the next 5 years.

DeMint amendment No. 5078, to limit the countries to which Federal financial assistance may be targeted under this Act.

DeMint amendment No. 5079 (to amendment No. 5078), to prevent certain uses of the Global Fund.

Mr. BIDEN. Mr. President, I see my friend from South Carolina is here. I ask unanimous consent there be no second-degree amendments in order to the DeMint amendment, No. 5077.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### AMENDMENT NO. 5078

Mr. BIDEN. Mr. President, I am shortly going to move to table the DeMint amendment, No. 5078, relating to abortion. Senator DEMINT and I had a very brief conversation prior to this.

I ask unanimous consent there be 2 minutes equally divided for the Senator to make his position known.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. BIDEN. I yield to my colleague from South Carolina.

Mr. DEMINT. Mr. President, the motion to table involves two amendments. It is important my colleagues understand what is involved. The current PEPFAR Program focuses on 15 countries with epidemics of AIDS and malaria. The current authorization allows them to work in 110 countries in which they are working now, but the focus has been part of making this program successful.

My amendment would limit the focus of the current PEPFAR bill on the Senate floor to the authorized countries in the first bill so the money is not spread all over the world to countries that do not need it as much as Africa and the others.

But the other amendment, and the reason this is being tabled, is it proposes that we do not allow PEPFAR funds to be used through the U.N. Global Fund for forced abortions and forced sterilization in China and other countries. The law of the land in this country is that our taxpayer dollars are not used for forced abortion. All this does is make sure the money in PEPFAR does not end up with programs like they have in China that force abortions.

I encourage my colleagues to vote no against tabling these amendments so we would be sure that PEPFAR funds are being used where and the way that they are intended to be used.

I reserve the remainder of my time.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from Delaware is recognized.

Mr. BIDEN. The underlying amendment, first-degree amendment, which I am moving to table would limit U.S. assistance to certain countries. Right now PEPFAR is working in 120 countries, and to limit it to 15 I think is very counterproductive.

I move to table the amendment, and I ask for the yeas and nays.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there a sufficient second? There is a sufficient second. The question is on agreeing to the motion.

The clerk will call the roll.

The bill clerk called the roll.

Mr. DURBIN. I announce that the Senator from Massachusetts (Mr. KENNEDY), the Senator from New Jersey (Mr. LAUTENBERG), and the Senator from Illinois (Mr. OBAMA) are necessarily absent.

Mr. KYL. The following Senators are necessarily absent: the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER), the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. CORKER), and the Senator from Arizona (Mr. MCCAIN).

Further, if present and voting, the Senator from Tennessee (Mr. ALEXANDER) would have voted "nay."

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Are there any other Senators in the Chamber desiring to vote?

The result was announced—yeas 70, nays 24, as follows:

[Rollcall Vote No. 175 Leg.]

#### YEAS—70

Akaka	Feingold	Nelson (FL)
Baucus	Feinstein	Nelson (NE)
Bayh	Gregg	Pryor
Bennett	Hagel	Reed
Biden	Harkin	Reid
Bingaman	Hatch	Roberts
Boxer	Hutchison	Rockefeller
Brown	Inouye	Salazar
Brownback	Johnson	Sanders
Byrd	Kerry	Schumer
Cantwell	Klobuchar	Shelby
Cardin	Kohl	Snowe
Carper	Landrieu	Specter
Casey	Leahy	Stabenow
Clinton	Levin	Stevens
Cochran	Lieberman	Sununu
Coleman	Lincoln	Tester
Collins	Lugar	Voinovich
Conrad	Martinez	Warner
Dodd	McCaskill	Webb
Dole	Menendez	Wicker
Domenici	Mikulski	Whitehouse
Dorgan	Murkowski	Wyden
Durbin	Murray	

#### NAYS—24

Allard	Craig	Isakson
Barrasso	Crapo	Kyl
Bond	DeMint	McConnell
Bunning	Ensign	Sessions
Burr	Enzi	Smith
Chambliss	Graham	Thune
Coburn	Grassley	Vitter
Cornyn	Inhofe	Wicker

#### NOT VOTING—6

Alexander	Kennedy	McCain
Corker	Lautenberg	Obama

The motion was agreed to.

Mrs. BOXER. I move to reconsider the vote.

Mr. NELSON of Florida. I move to lay that motion on the table.

The motion to lay on the table was agreed to.

Mr. DURBIN. I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Ms. STABENOW. I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

#### 21ST CENTURY MANUFACTURING STRATEGY

Ms. STABENOW. Mr. President, I rise, in light of the news today by General Motors and certainly the ongoing news from American automakers and manufacturers, to express, again, concern about the fact that we have had no 21st century manufacturing policy for the last 8 years. As other countries are rushing to invest in new innovative technology, advanced battery technology, the next generation of vehicles, as Germany has announced the great battery alliance which will invest over \$650 million in advanced lithium ion batteries; South Korea, by 2010, will have spent \$700 million on advanced batteries and developing hybrid vehicles; China has invested over \$100 million in advanced battery research and development; over the next 5 years Japan will spend about \$230 million on advanced battery research and \$278 million a year on hydrogen research for zero-emission fuel cell vehicles; in this country, our President's budget last year called for \$22 million. We have